1996 Liberty Wing DUI rate

Last week some of the numbers on the 1996 DUI rate were incorrect. The correct numbers are listed below.

<u>Sq.</u>	Assigned	DUIs	Last DUI
MSS	172	0	
CES	213	1	Oct. 12
SPS	414	2	Dec. 6
SVS	60	0	
CS	176	0	
CPTF	38	0	
MDOS	326	1	May 11
AMDS	50	1	May 5
MDSS	203	1	Dec. 13
DS	104	1	May 11
LSS	74	0	
CRS	465	3	Nov. 16
CONS	20	0	
EMS	622	3	Oct. 4
SUPS	219	0	
TRANS	102	3	March 30
OSS	181	2	July
492nd	383	3	Sept. 12
493rd	297	1	Sept. 7
494th	377	3	Oct. 6
5th SPSS	62	0	
18th IS	29	0	
Det. 16	23	0	
TOTAL	4,610	25	
Action pending on 10 DUI charges			

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On the cover

Photo by SSgt. Steve Ball

Barry Bland climbs the Radical Rock at the new youth center. For information about the center and its grand opening, see pages 12 - 13.

Perspective Take a look at yourself

By Col. Doug Richardson 48th Fighter Wing commander

As we celebrate the memory of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., each of us should re-examine our personal commitment of ensuring that racial discrimination of any kind is not tolerated within the Liberty Wing.

We owe this to each member of our community, to the reputation of the wing and to America.

As a military organization, we are often reminded that together we eat, sleep, work and fight as a team. The recent articles in the "Stars and Stripes" on Medal of Honor recipient Vermin Baker, however, are a sad reminder to us all that in the past there probably were two teams ... an A and a B.

As the liberty wing marches forward into 1997, we'll advance as one team — not

One team ... one fight. Anything else is rubbish!

Honor King -- keep dream alive

By Maj. John McQueen 48th Transportation Squadron commander

The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was one of the most instrumental figures in the struggle for equality and freedom in the 20th century. This Martin Luther King Jr. Day we celebrate his life. The life of a legend -- a man who was the epitome of self-sacrifice.

April 4, 1968, King was struck down by an assassin's bullet, but he didn't die in vain. He evoked the very best in Americans of every race and creed. He called for racial harmony and tolerance. He died trying to uphold the fundamental principle of the Bill of Rights that all men are created equal.

As we celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. Day, we must keep in mind that our task is to continue striving for even greater understanding between all Americans. Our goal should be to take King's dream of equality and build

This apostle of brotherhood died believing that what would make this nation great wasn't going to be its wealth or military might, but rather the ability to achieve racial harmony; America could only get better if we all grew together. King used his ability to mobilize the masses for a cause, and we must salute him for his effort and courage. We can also learn from his example. In honoring his memory, we should keep in mind several lessons for the future:

Greatness is not bought.

True greatness comes from within. It isn't created by prizes and awards or by fame and honor. The great Roman philosopher Lucius Annaeus Seneca reminds us that none of those who have been raised to loftier heights by riches and honor are really great. Greatness comes when we realize our potential.

Excellence is achieved through hard work and perseverance.

In his book Knowledge and Decision, economist Thomas Sowell writes, "Ideas are everywhere, but knowledge is rare." What knowledge gives us is the ability to be able to



speak truth with power. Power brings recognition, and recognition gives us an avenue to bring favorable changes to the African-American community and the greater society.

King opened many doors for the voiceless in America. The challenge to all Americans, black or white, is to renew their conviction and dedication to continue what King died fighting for. In remembering his life and times, we not only must look back but also lean forward.

Let's work together, no matter what color, race or creed, to build a better nation. The civil rights struggle of the 1960s should be used as a stepping stone to social reform and economic empowerment in the 1990s and beyond. King had a dream. It wasn't entirely in black. Nor was it in white. His dream was inclusive of all Americans: one people forging ahead - together.

MLK banquet Sunday

The 1997 Martin Luther King, Jr. Banquet is at 6 p.m. Sunday at the officers' club and is sponsored by People Associated for Cultural Enrichment. The guest speaker is Col. Mary L. Saunders, Air Force director of transportation. For information, call SMSgt. Al Coe at Ext. 3994.